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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President protempore (Mr. STEVENS).

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

O Lord most holy, who has found us wanting and yet has not forsaken us, deliver us from insincerity and thoughtlessness.

Help the leaders of this body to be strong and courageous. Keep them from deviating from the path of integrity and remind them of the importance of seeking Your wisdom. Give them an awareness of Your abiding presence and supply their needs. Help

them never to fail to do what they can to establish peace and justice among nations.

Lord, make each of us instruments of Your peace, carving tunnels of hope through mountains of despair. May we remember that You have determined our path and You direct our steps. We pray this in Your powerful Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, this morning, the Senate will resume consideration of the Energy conference report. A number of Senators came to the floor to speak on the Energy conference report yesterday. We had a good debate, good discussion, and the Senate will continue this debate throughout to-day's session.

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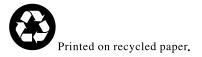
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